

# NAVAJO NATION REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL FAMILY SUPPORT HOME VISITATION REQUEST FOR GRANT APPLICATION FTF-RC001-10-0088-00 FACT SHEET

## WHAT IS THE NAVAJO NATION REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL FAMILY SUPPORT HOME VISITATION RFGA?

The First Things First Navajo Nation Regional Partnership Council (RPC) has identified the need for regional implementation of the programs that Support Ke' (extended family/friends) by funding expansion or new early care and education through home visitations, resources, seminars, and hands-on training to improve knowledge and understanding of basic parenting /care giving skills.

The Navajo Nation Regional Partnership Council serves, and applications submitted in response to this RFGA must serve any child birth through age five and their family, residing within the Navajo Nation deducting the San Juan Southern Paiute population from the Navajo Nation.

The Navajo Nation RPC intends to provide funding to programs implementing the following activities:

- Ensure home visiting services offer a comprehensive program to families, with an emphasis
  on adult to child interactions within the cultural context and including information on early
  brain development, early literacy, child development and appropriate behavioral
  expectations, and activities to support optimal development.
- Expand or provide additional home visiting services that include opportunities for seminars, training, and resources
- Improve parenting skills and child development and health outcomes
- Follow the FTF Home Visiting Standards of Practice
- Engage the family to assess their status using research supported tools to identify strengths and needs.

- Help families develop and implement a family service plan based upon assessment findings and goals and objectives identified with the family.
- Conduct regular developmental screenings using a standardized or criterion-referenced tool at 9, 18 and 24 months of age for all of the following developmental domains: cognitive, language, social-emotional and motor skills and must use either the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) or Parents Evaluation of Developmental Status (PEDS)
- Provide service coordination with other community resources to make an effort to minimize duplication and to ensure that families receive comprehensive services as needed
- Identify outreach, engagement and retention practices with participants/families.

#### WHAT IS THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDING AVAILABLE?

Approximately \$400,000 is available in this Request for Grant Application. Contract renewal will be contingent upon satisfactory contract performance, evaluation and availability of funds.

The anticipated contract period for any resultant grant will be September 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

#### PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR THE GRANT MAKING PROCESS

April 8, 2009	RFGA available on-line
April 16, 2009	Pre-application Conference
April 16, 2009	12:00 – 2:00 p.m. at Quality Inn Office Complex, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
	Conference Room 48 West Highway 264 Window Rock, Arizona
May 22, 2009	Applications due to the location listed in the RFGA by 2:00 p.m.
September 1, 2009	Anticipated grant awards made

#### HOW TO GET A COPY OF THE RFGA.

Please visit the First Things First web site on or after April 8, 2009: http://www.azftf.gov/

### **QUESTIONS?**

All questions must be submitted in writing and include FTF-RC001-10-0088-00 in the subject line of the email or on the cover sheet of the fax.

Questions should be submitted to the Grants and Contracts Procurement Specialist via email at grants@azftf.gov or via fax at (602) 265-0009.